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**COMMENT OF THE DAY**

**Worth The Effort**

HOWEVER varied reactions may be to certain specific suggestions advanced by Sir Winston Churchill in the House of Commons yesterday, there will be general agreement that his speech was a masterly appraisal of current international affairs and a statesmanlike endeavour to treat them with realism and in language both restrained and dignified. Principal, and probably most controversial proposal which he put forward was that an attempt be made to hold private and informal talks on the highest level between the leading Powers. This is no new idea which has suddenly forced itself on the mind of Sir Winston. He was promoting the proposition as long ago as 1950, though circumstances then were very clearly less favourable than they are today for its effectual realisation. The essence of the Prime Minister's latest proposal is that any meeting, say between President Eisenhower, himself and Mr. Malenkov, should be informal and exploratory; that views should be exchanged and the effort made to establish a common ground from which could eventually emerge contractual agreements through diplomatic conferences for the preservation of international peace and security. It is true that both Mr. Malenkov and President Eisenhower have made oblique references to the same subject, but the approach, in each case, has been in a somewhat negative form. Sir Winston Churchill suggests a more positive attitude, for, as he observes, he sees no reason why anyone should be frightened about trying to get some of the world's leaders together for friendly talks.

THE reactions of both President Eisenhower and Mr. Malenkov to the proposition are of first importance. It is hardly likely they will be forthcoming immediately, but there is no obvious reason why, when they are manifest, they should be unfavourable. Grave problems affecting international relations in many parts of the world are demanding solution, and if, through personal contact between world leaders, the mutual suspicion which has hampered negotiations during the past seven years can be removed, the prospects of reaching agreements on problems such as the Austrian Treaty and the future of Germany must automatically improve. It is unlikely that even Sir Winston Churchill believes a high level conference would sweep away all differences of opinion between Russia and the Western world, but there will be many who will agree with his confident belief that such a meeting would help to remove a number of artificial obstacles now standing in the way of a rapprochement. A personal meeting between Eisenhower, Malenkov and Churchill could not only open the way to better understanding between the Soviets and the democracies, but it could materially help to create a new atmosphere in the United Nations Organisation and lead to more fruitful deliberations on problems which today are gravely threatening the peace of the world.

# Churchill's Foreign Policy Speech Pleases Parliament

## REACTIONS ELSEWHERE EXPECTED TO BE MIXED

London, May 11. Sir Winston Churchill's speech opening the House of Commons Foreign Affairs debate today was well received on both sides of Parliament.

But many observers questioned whether the impact of the speech would be as favourable in Washington, Paris and Cairo.

The Prime Minister's proposal for a conference at the highest level between leading powers may not receive an immediate welcome in the United States, it is recognised here.

His criticism of French policy regarding Indo-China will arouse strong emotions in Paris. And his open support for Zionism will do the same in the Arab world.

But in all these controversial matters which may well arouse criticism abroad, Sir Winston Churchill had a favourable reception from both Conservatives and Socialists.

Many Conservative and some Socialist leaders as well, hailed the speech as one of the greatest the Prime Minister has made in recent years.

Some of his own adherents said that in an hour's review he had swept away much of the fog clouding the international horizon.

One former Labour Cabinet Minister declared that the Prime Minister "scarcely put a foot wrong".

Labour members were particularly impressed by the Prime Minister's words to America and by what they felt was his underlying implication that an end is attainable to the war in Korea.

Some doubted whether his reference to the highest level meeting of leading powers would produce any immediate enthusiasm in America. They expressed the view that a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of East and West was more of a practical possibility in the near future.

The great majority of Labour members appeared to accept the Prime Minister's "plain talk to Egypt" as some described it, without serious challenge.

Some former Socialist Ministers thought the Prime Minister became a little "old fashioned" at one point. This was his suggestion that the master thought of the 1925 Locarno Pact—in which Britain pledged aid to France or Germany if either were attacked by the other—might play its part between Germany and Russia in the minds of these who tremble it was to consolidate the peace of the world.—Reuter.

### WASHINGTON DOUBTS

Washington, May 11. There is little or no likelihood of President Eisenhower agreeing to Sir Winston Churchill's proposal today for a top-level great power conference with the Soviet Union "without long delay".

In the absence of the United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, in the Middle East, officials declined to comment for the record.

Privately, they expressed strong doubts whether the proposal would result in the kind of Chief Executive conference in the near future to which Sir Winston Churchill was assumed to be referring.

The proposal came without warning to the United States government leaders. Mr. Dulles replied "no" when asked at a press conference on the eve of his departure whether he had received any communication from Britain regarding a top-level great power meeting.—Reuter.

### FRENCH REACTIONS

Paris, May 11. Sir Winston Churchill's proposal to hold a Big Power conference with as few powers as possible produced mixed reactions in French diplomatic circles here today.

The official spokesman of the French Foreign Office refused to comment but in political circles people were asking themselves whether the British Prime Minister was proposing a return to the method of Yalta, when France was excluded from the talks between the United States, Russia and Britain.

The speech made the impression in Paris that the British Government was very confident of bringing about negotiations with Moscow. It was supposed here that the Russians must already have given some concrete indications to the British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir Alvaro Gascoigne, on which questions they were prepared to discuss.—Reuter.

### SATISFACTION

Bonn, May 11. West German government quarters welcomed "with great satisfaction" the foreign policy speech of Sir Winston Churchill in the House of Commons.

There was great satisfaction about the declaration of Britain's intention to stand by her obligations to West Germany in spite of the present attempts to ease East-West tension.—Reuter.

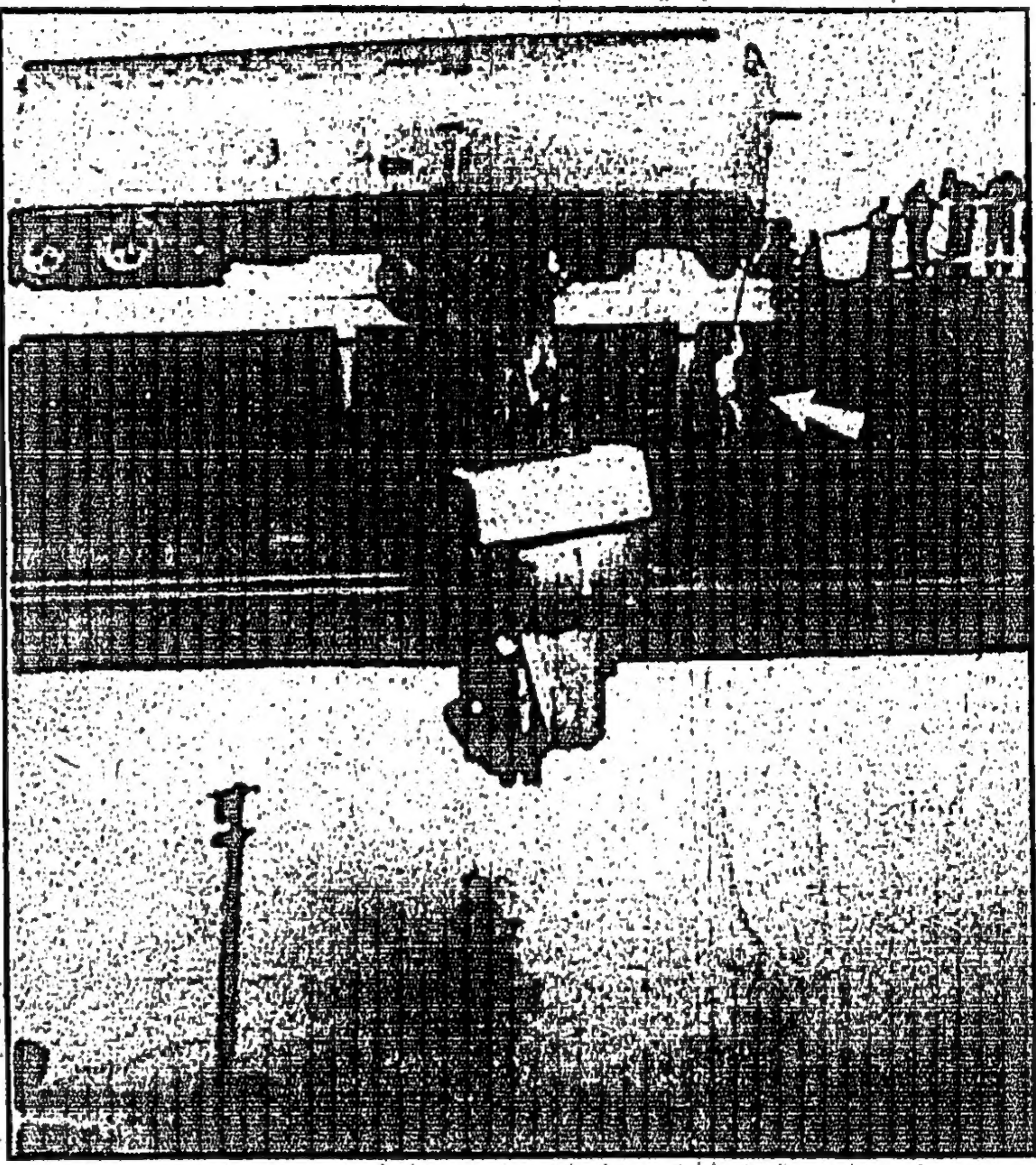
## Mystery Trip Behind The Iron Curtain

Paris, May 11. Former Mexican President Miguel Aleman, back from a mysterious trip behind the Iron Curtain, said today he visited Poland, Czechoslovakia and Austria.

He did not go to Moscow as had been reported but would like to do so before he goes home.

Senor Aleman was reticent about the discussions he held with officials behind the Iron Curtain. His trip was private and he made only courtesy calls on officials. He wanted to make as many visits to European countries as possible.

He denied that he had discussed the question of the disposition of anti-Communist war prisoners held by the United Nations in Korea, but believed that there was sufficient basis for a settlement of the issue.—United Press.



**Dramatically Rescued After Dangling 40 Feet In Space**

## "Dracula" Mystery Baffles Police

Manila police early today were still baffled by the mystery of an "unseen being" which apparently bit the arms of a girl prisoner even in the presence of police.

One of the most bizarre cases in Manila police history began last night when an eighteen-year-old girl who had been held in a women's detention cell for a week on a vagrancy charge, started yelling that she was being bitten by a "flying human being with bulging eyes and wearing a black cap".

Fellow inmates of the prison made such a noise that the police investigated. They took the girl from her cell to police headquarters for observation.

There, about midnight, while a police lieutenant held her left arm, she began shrieking "Here he comes again!"

Reporters who had arrived on hearing of "Dracula's" invasion of the Philippines saw nobody but the girl began to squirm in the police officer's grip.

**BITE MARKS**  
Then, as horrified police and reporters looked on, eight human bite marks surrounded by what looked like saliva appeared on her left arm.

Mystified, the police called in a doctor who examined the marks, by now also appearing on the girl's right arm, and said they were unmistakably human. As the girl cried in pain and terror more bite marks appeared.

Questioned by the police as to whether she had previously encountered the apparition she said that she had not. She also denied that the ghostlike thing resembled anybody she knew or had met before.

Up to early this morning she was still being kept under observation as police and medical experts continued to seek the cause of the mysterious bites.—Reuter.

## Indian MP Arrested

New Delhi, May 11. Dr S. P. Mookerjee, a member of the Indian Parliament, was arrested today on the Punjab-Jammu border when he tried to enter the state without a permit. Since the Kashmir fighting in 1947 all visitors to the state must get entry permits from the Indian Government. Dr Mookerjee was arrested by Jammu and Kashmir state police.

He had earlier sent telegrams to the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, and the Premier of Kashmir, Sheikh Abdullah, stating he intended to visit Jammu "to explore the possibilities of creating conditions which may expedite a peaceful settlement and the restoration of good feelings and understanding among all concerned."—Reuter.

## Film Star Denies Report

New York, May 11. Screen star Bette Davis denied a report today that she is suffering from cancer of the jaw as she left for a summer vacation with her family in Maine.

The report was broadcast nationally last night by a radio commentator.

"There is absolutely no truth to that," Miss Davis said. "The doctors say that I have made a splendid recovery from a rather common bone infection and I am sure that they would not let me leave the city if I were seriously ill."—United Press.

Rescuers haul to safety a truck driver, P. M. Overby, of Portland, Oregon (arrow) after the cab of his giant tractor-trailer had crashed through the guard rail of the Pitt River Bridge in California, and left the man dangling forty feet in the air. — AP photo.

## Dulles And Naguib Find The Solution

Cairo, May 11. The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, said tonight that he and Premier Mohammed Naguib had agreed that foreign troops should be withdrawn from the Suez Canal Zone and the waterway should be available to the free world in case of war.

Mr. Dulles talked for two hours and 15 minutes with the Egyptian leader soon after his arrival at the start of a fact-finding out of the Middle and Near East.

After the meeting, Mr. Dulles issued a statement saying they had agreed on the gradual withdrawal of British troops from the Suez area. Only last week Anglo-Egyptian negotiations over the Suez were deadlocked.

"We came to the conclusion," said the statement, "that there should be a solution with full Egyptian sovereignty, but that the important base in the Canal area, with depots, supplies and a system of technical supervision, should remain in good working order and be available for immediate use on behalf of the free world in the event of future hostilities."—United Press.

## Volcano Erupts

Melbourne, May 11. Travelers and aircraft were today evacuating natives from Long Island off New Guinea after a volcano began to shoot a stream of mud and ashes thousands of feet high.

Government officials today made an aerial survey of the island, which lies off the northeast coast of New Guinea.—Reuter.

## HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATE

# Socialists Put Forward Requests To Premier

London, May 11. Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, a former Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, said today in the House of Commons that it was absurd to hope for a settlement in Korea, Indo-China and Malaya while trying to get Formosa to fight Peking.

Mr. Noel-Baker was the chief Opposition speaker in the foreign affairs debate opened by Sir Winston Churchill.

Mr. Noel-Baker said he hoped the Prime Minister would persuade President Eisenhower that no more arms should be sent to Formosa, and that sending arms there could not possibly assist an Asian settlement.

He also hoped that if negotiations began about Korea and other problems, the Prime Minister, after the first conference, would see that they were conducted by responsible Ministers.

"If the Kremlin and Peking mean business, the days for the parties are over; we require a powerful Ministerial team," he added.

Mr. Noel-Baker said it was not for the Generals in Japan but for the collective wisdom of the Government of the United Nations to decide how Korea should be made a free and independent nation.

Indo-China was in a very dangerous position, and the recent Communist aggression in Laos has brought them face to face with the prospect that Indo-China might be conquered and that the freedom and integrity of Siam and Burma—both independent self-governing members of the United Nations—might be menaced too.

**CLEAR THINKING**  
He asked what it would mean for Malaya and for Britain and the United Nations and for the economic co-operation and mutual aid of Asia and the West.

It was essential, he said, that there should be clear thinking about the politics and international law of the Indo-China war.

In Indo-China, he added, there was a genuine nationalist upsurge of feeling as there had been in Indonesia, India and elsewhere. The Communists had sought to use it.

If the French would make it plain that nationhood was the objective for their people in the Far East, and that they had no fundamental reservations, the present complexities of Indo-Chinese problems would disappear.

The French would find, as Britain had done, that the Commonwealth relationship had everything to commend it. French prestige and influence would be safeguarded as it could be in no other way.

He urged the Government to use its influence to the utmost to ensure that the United Nations resolution calling for the withdrawal by Chinese Na-

tionalist forces from Burma should be effectively and speedily applied.

Mr. John Strachey, former Labour War Minister, said Britain ought to say frankly that if the Korean truce negotiations broke down in present circumstances, world public opinion would not blame the Korean or Chinese negotiators but the Americans.

He did not blame the Americans during the phase of the truce negotiations, but in the present vital phase they were doing "little more than haggle over details."

**CRUX OF SITUATION**  
Mr. Strachey suggested that after a truce in Korea, Britain should support the setting of the "real government of China" in the United Nations Security Council.

That would be a sign that the United States had dropped its "internationalist attitude in China." That was "really the crux of the whole situation in the Far East."

It was imperative for the British Government to make its opposition to that attitude clear in deeds as well as words.

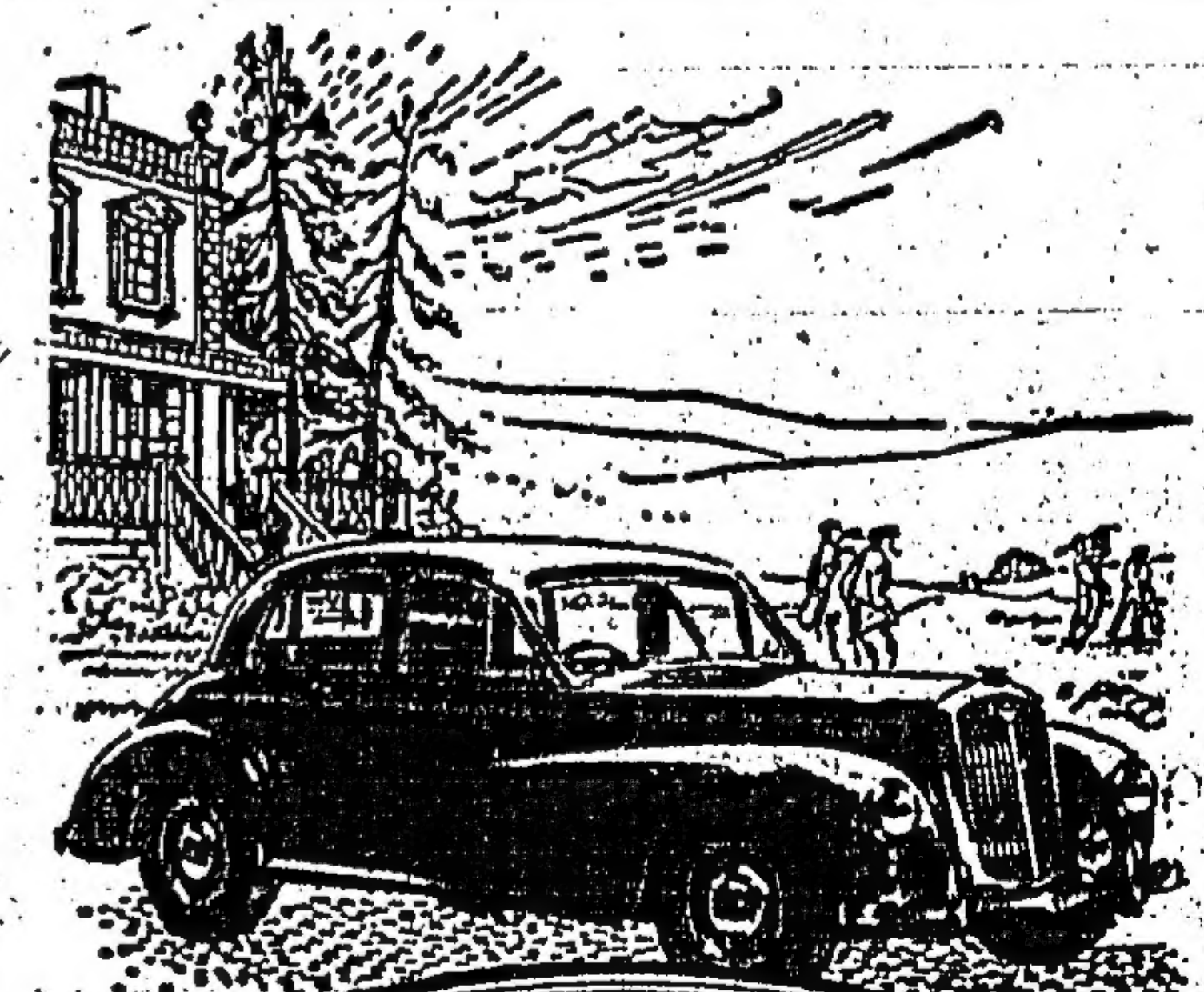
The Prime Minister had done it in words today, but it should be followed by specific action.

"In an issue of this magnitude we cannot refrain from making our view heard," he said. "If we do, we sink from the position of an independent country to that of a satellite."

Mr. Clement Davies, leader of the Liberals, said he regarded the Prime Minister's speech as one of his greatest—and that is saying a great deal.—Reuter.

**MAHARAJAH'S HOME BURGLED**  
London, May 11. The home of the Maharajah of Jaipur, Saint Hill Manor, East Grinstead, Sussex, was raided by burglars during the week-end and jewellery believed to be worth £2,000 was stolen.

Nobody in the house heard anything and it is not known how many burglars were involved. As far as can be ascertained, entrance was obtained through a window reached from a verandah.—France-Press.



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## Comet Turned Back By Dust Storm

Calcutta, May 11. A British Overseas Airways Corporation Comet west bound for the Singapore-London service returned to Dum Dum airport today because of a dust storm. A three-and-a-half-hour flight—Comet and a Dakota—crashed in Northern India during the past 10 days, during or just after dust storms. Sixty-one lives were lost.

A BOAC spokesman said today the Comet would leave for Delhi at 8 a.m. tomorrow, by that time, he said, the storm now raging over North-west India will probably have died down.

The Comet's 20 passengers and crew are spending the night here.

All services in and out of New Delhi were cancelled earlier today because of the dust storm. Planes were diverted to Agra and Jodhpur to await the "all clear."—Reuter.

## Jap Industrialists Visiting Britain

London, May 11. Nine members of Japanese Chambers of Commerce and Industry flew into London today on a short visit to Britain. The delegation is visiting several countries on what is understood to be mainly a fact-finding tour.—Reuter.







## No Changes Contemplated In Cyprus

Nicosia, May 11. The British Government does not contemplate any change in the sovereignty of the Colony of Cyprus, Sir Andrew Wright, the Governor, told Archbishop Makarios today.

The British Government regards unity of Cyprus with Greece as a closed question, he added.

The Governor made these statements in a letter replying to one of April 27 in which Archbishop Makarios invited the Governor to give effect to Cypriot Greeks' demand for union with Greece or to organise an official plebiscite on the island to determine the wish of the majority of the population.

"I cannot accede to your invitation in either respect," the Governor said.—Reuter.

## WILSON'S TALKS WITH RED DELEGATES

Berlin, May 11. Mr. Harold Wilson, former member of the British Labour Government, conferred in East Berlin today with the Chinese Communist trade mission.

He said afterwards he had taken part in general exploratory talks on the whole question of loosening trade restrictions between Communist and non-Communist countries.

Mr. Wilson, who arrived from London last night, is to fly on to Moscow tomorrow for a week's visit to confer on East-West trade generally and on Soviet timber supplies to Britain in particular.

The ex-Minister, still a member of the House of Commons and one of the chief supporters of left-wing Labour leader Aneurin Bevan, has been adviser to a London timber importing firm for the past two years.

He last visited Moscow in 1947 when as President of the Board of Trade he concluded an Anglo-Soviet trade agreement.

The Chinese trade mission has been in East Berlin for over two years.

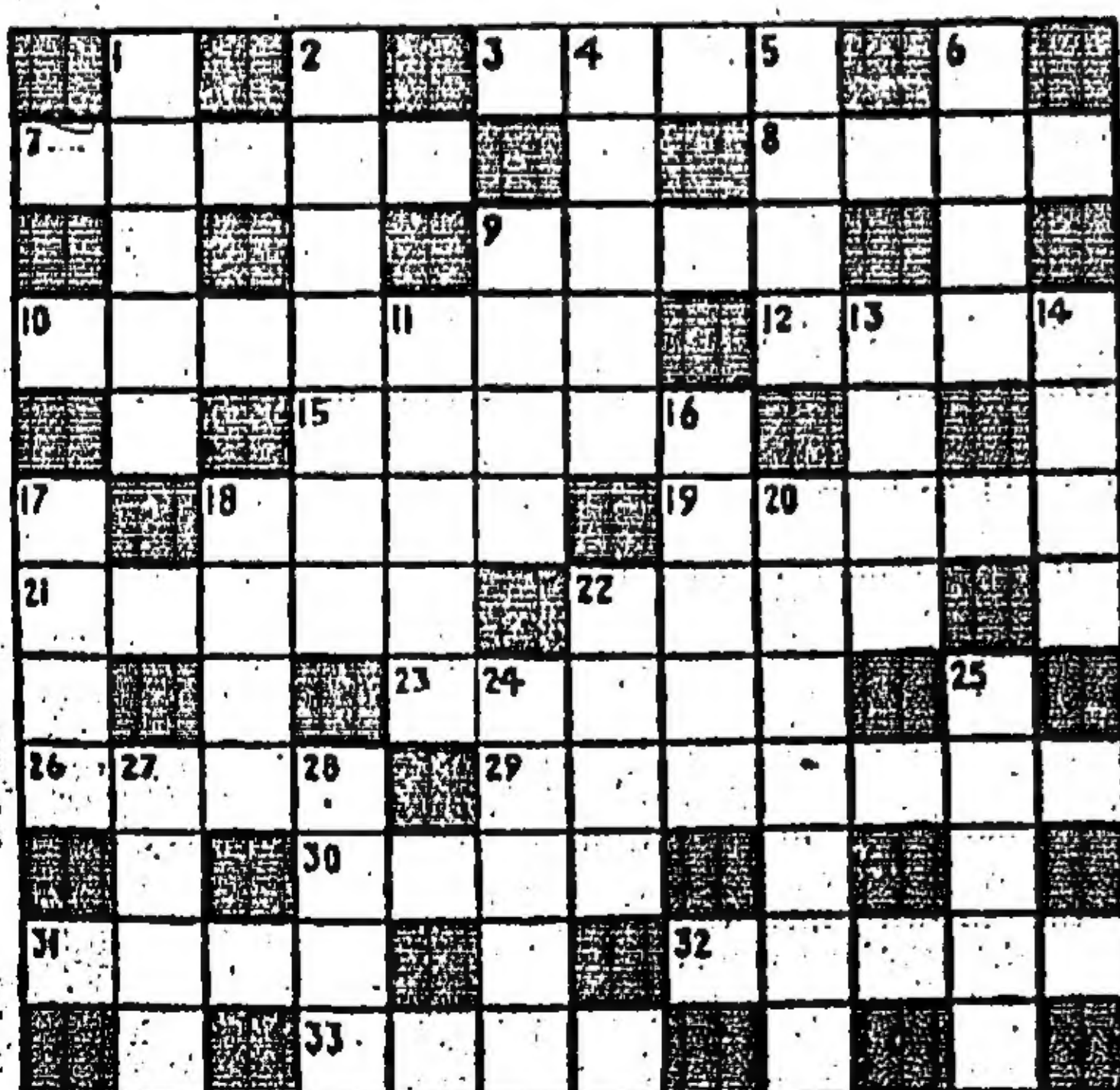
Its task is to arrange trade deals with Britain, Scandinavian and West European countries.

One or two private deals with British representatives were reached following the Moscow economic conference last Spring.—Reuter.

## Pope Givos Audience

Vatican City, May 11. Pope Pius XII received the Philippines Foreign Minister, Joaquin Elizalde, in private audience today.—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS  
3 Grows old (4).  
7 Civic dignity (5).  
8 Reformation (4).  
9 Exploit (4).  
10 Planting (7).  
12 Active (4).  
15 Begins (5).  
16 Finest (5).  
18 Scent (5).  
21 Hunt (5).  
22 Run off (4).  
23 Claw (5).  
26 Uninteresting (4).  
28 Coming ashore (7).  
30 Fresh (4).  
31 Inequalities (4).  
32 Combs (4).  
33 Louche (4).

DOWN  
1 Capital city (5).  
2 Maxims (7).  
4 Inexperienced (5).  
5 Collections (4).  
6 Scorch (4).  
9 Worry (4).  
11 Split (5).  
13 Tab (4).  
14 Perish (4).  
16 Drawing-room (5).  
17 Diving (4).  
18 Sphere (4).  
20 Performs (7).  
22 Defect (4).  
24 Vigilant (5).  
25 Fish (5).  
27 Loosen (4).  
28 Flog (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across.—1 Enigma, 7 Fold, 9 Little, 10 Trade, 11 Cost, 13 Reddiscovery, 15 Leak, 16 Opt, 19 Reparation, 22 Dear, 24 Sleep, 25 Ample, 28 Apex, 29 Easily, Down.—2 Notice, 3 Gains, 4 Action, 5 Bracole, 6 Lads, 8 Adore, 12 Token, 13 Fluid, 14 Interest, 17 Rate, 18 Sample, 20 Amaze, 21 Impel, 23 Easy.

## Cambodia Outlines Its Conditions For Relations With France

### "Paris Must Honour Agreement"

Paris, May 11. M. San Sary, Cambodian Secretary of State, said in an interview today that his country's future relations with France would depend on how the French honour the agreement promising Cambodian independence.

"It is far too early to compare India's or Pakistan's position in the Commonwealth with our status," he said.

Cambodia, southernmost of the three states of French Indo-China, has been asking for a status comparable to that of the two independent Commonwealth countries.

Last week a communiqué announced that the French had conceded the Cambodians two major points—that the King of Cambodia should be Commander-in-Chief of the Cambodian Army and that Cambodia should be granted "complete jurisdictional competence."

But M. Sary, who helped negotiate this agreement, said that it raised questions on both points.

One major obstacle was the French demand that all citizens of the French Union in Cambodia should have the right to be tried by special courts with French as well as Cambodian judges.

"We agreed that all cases involving only citizens of metropolitan France should be tried by such courts but the French Government demanded that the

### WOULD BE SATISFIED

M. Sary said Cambodia would be fully satisfied with the military recognition of the King provided that the French did not hinder the full application of the measure.

"The French officers on the Cambodian General Staff must be fully responsible to their Commander-in-Chief," he said.

The agreement, once ratified by the two governments, would place the King in charge of the troops in 11 instead of three of Cambodia's provinces.

The French would remain in charge in the three provinces considered most open to possible Communist attack.

The Cambodian Government says its army numbers about 15,000.

### FEELINGS MOUNTING

"Nationalist feelings are mounting in Cambodia and the French Government continues to demand special privileges for all French Union citizens, the Cambodian Government might be obliged to reconsider the concession of special courts to the citizens from metropolitan France under the impact of popular opposition," M. Sary said.

The present Cambodian Government is far from being ultra-Nationalist or anti-French but its goal is to obtain full independence for the country," M. Sary said.

M. Sary said the French Government's "unilateral" action in devaluing the Indo-Chinese piastre would not help future relations with France.

He said that the French Government had failed to consult the Cambodian Premier, M. Penn, about this step though he was in Paris for the negotiations about a greater measure of independence for his country.

He was faced by an accomplished fact a few hours before his return to Indo-China, M. Sary said.

Devaluation, he added, was an "outright violation" of existing agreements between France and the Indo-Chinese States.—Reuter.

## Thai Mission On Visit To Netherlands

The Hague, May 11. A 40-strong Parliamentary mission from Thailand is now in Holland on an informal visit, the Foreign Office announced today.

The statement said the mission was in Holland as part of a tour of West Europe. Leader of the mission is the Vice-President of the Thai House of Representatives, Phra Rachatharm Nides. The party today visited the Western Embroidery and the famous "Afschuitdijk" closing the Zuider Zee.

Other items on their programme are a visit to Rotterdam harbour, a reception by both Houses of the Dutch Parliament and a visit to the Peace Palace, which houses the International Court of Justice in the Hague. The mission will leave Holland on Wednesday.—Reuter.

## Religious Art Exhibition

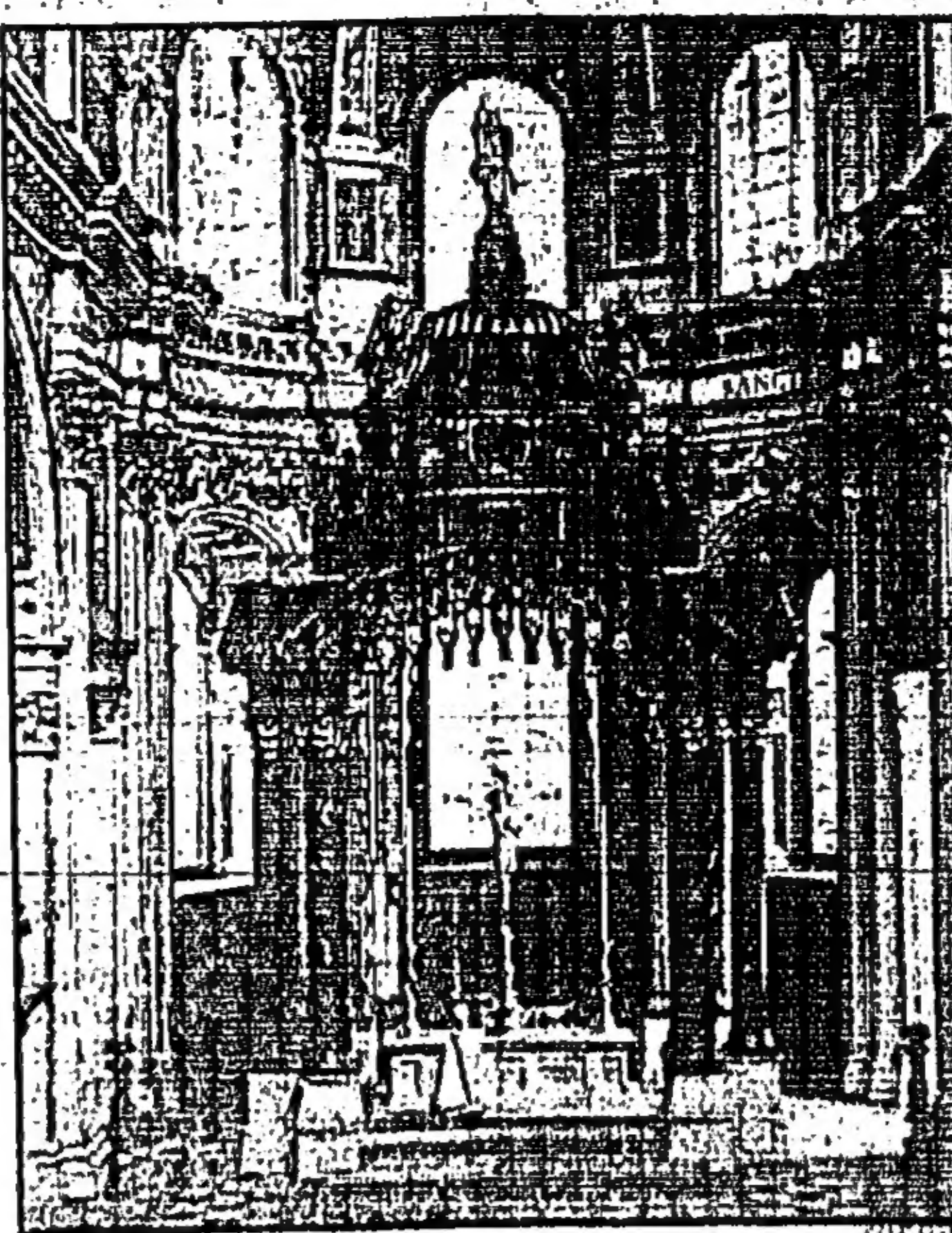
London, May 11. First comprehensive exhibition of religious art to be held in Britain this century opens tomorrow.

Four hundred works from 14 countries will be displayed, ranging from painting, sculpture, stained glass and tapestry to ceramics.

There will be exhibits from Europe, India, United States, Africa and the West Indies.

The exhibition, presented under the title of "The Christian Theme in Contemporary Art," is organised by the International Faculty of Arts and has received the approval of Catholic and Protestant Church leaders.—Reuter.

## Empire War Memorial



A four-foot high model of the high altar and baldachin to be erected in St Paul's Cathedral as a United Kingdom memorial to the Commonwealth men and women who lost their lives in World War II. It will also commemorate the dead of World War I. The Empire War Memorial Fund Committee, with headquarters in London, has just launched an appeal for £20,000. The memorial will be completed in two years.—Express Picture.

## Fund Opened To Provide Altar In St. Paul's

London, May 11. World War II cost Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India and the Colonies a total of 490,768 in Service casualties. For every three United Kingdom casualties, the Commonwealth overseas suffered two.

Twenty-five per cent of the Battle of Britain pilots were volunteers from the Empire. Five thousand of the 20,000 Australians who served in air crews in Britain lost their lives.

Yet, eight years after V-E Day, there is still no memorial in Britain which commemorates all the Commonwealth men and women who gave their lives.

Working—and working hard—to put this right is a small group of men who have just launched a nationwide appeal for the Empire War Memorial Fund. Britons are asked to contribute to a target of £20,000.

And the memorial planned? It is to be a new high altar and baldachin in St Paul's Cathedral. It will be built in the eastern apse, which with the old high altar, was destroyed by a German bomb in October, 1940.

The fund is being raised entirely within the United Kingdom, though contributions from Britons who now live overseas will be welcomed. Once built, in about two years, the altar and baldachin will be dedicated as a memorial to men and women of all races and creeds from the Commonwealth overseas who were killed.

Queen Elizabeth has given her approval and, according to the fund organisers, is wholly in sympathy with the proposal.

### WORK IN PROGRESS

Heading the fund committee is Sir Jocelyn Lucas, a Conservative M. P. who, during the war, was chairman of the Overseas League Welfare Committee and Welfare Liaison Officer from Commonwealth troops.

Work has begun on the memorial, using money raised privately by the committee during the past year. An American Memorial Chapel, funds for which have been raised by another organisation in Britain, is also being built in the eastern apse.

The Commonwealth memorial will actually bring the interior of St Paul's nearer to fulfilling Wren's original conception.

When quarrelled with the Dean and Chapter of St Paul's before he had finished his designs, having planned it "after a good Roman manner...not to follow the Gothic rudeness of the old design," he intended the high altar to be covered by an ornate canopy and to dominate the whole building.

But the Dean and Chapter were bound by tradition and wanted the Cathedral divided in two by a "screen," an encumbrance intended to separate the monks, who worshipped in the choir, from the laity who congregated in the nave.

When Wren found his Cathedral was to be divided up in this way, he lost interest in its altar and canopy, and never completed the design.

## THE SAAR QUESTION A "MUST"

Frankfurt, May 11. The right-wing Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung said today that the West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, and the French Prime Minister, M. Rene Mayer, will have to discuss the Saar question in Paris, whether they like it or not.

This newspaper said the differences over the Saar threaten to come to a head and would more and more visibly paralyse the vigour of the West.

"It has again become clear during the last few days that the 'Quai d'Orsay' (French Foreign Office) is determined to take advantage of the possession of the Saar."

"Germany has only one chance. She must and she will attain peace, general and her own, if she defends the principles of freedom jointly with others."

"The Federal Republic cannot therefore in the general interest surrender any piece of German land without the latter's free will," the newspaper said.—Reuter.

## Advisory Group For Burma

Karachi, May 11. Pakistan is to send a financial advisory mission to Burma at the request of the Burmese Government.

The mission of three or four will be led by Zahir Hussain, Governor of the State Bank of Pakistan. It will leave this month and will remain in Burma a fortnight.—Reuter.

## AID TO INDIA ADVOCATE

Washington, May 11. Mr. Chester Bowles, former United States Ambassador to India today urged economic assistance to India "or the danger from Communism will grow."

He was speaking to reporters after a 45-minute conference with President Eisenhower.

Assistance was needed mainly, he said, to complete irrigation projects.

India is making economic and political progress but still has a long hard way to go, he added.

Mr Bowles has just returned to the United States after serving as envoy in New Delhi during the Truman Administration.

On the trip back Mr Bowles spent six weeks touring South-east Asia and Japan.

He gave Mr Eisenhower "a little report on the situation as we see it" in Asia, but he added, specifying that he was speaking without reference to what he might have told the President, that in Asia generally "I think the military situation against Communism is better today than it was a year ago."

BASIC PROBLEM

But he added that the basic problem was not military—they are economic and political.

He described Asia as a continent "teetering" between Communism and free world democracy, and said it probably would continue to teeter for several years.

India in particular, Mr Bowles said, must have economic and financial help from the United States or the danger of Communism would grow.

India needed \$200,000,000 annually in United States economic help for the nation to be receiving about US\$50,000,000 annually. India should have about four times that much for the next three years to put the country on a self-supporting basis. Speaking of Asia generally, the various Governments were basically non-Communist.—Reuter.



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Lady Grantham

## APPLES

will be eaten  
AT 11.20

on C. Day.  
(It's all in a big book)

THE haversack ration for nearly 30,000 Servicemen who will wake up at 5 a.m. to take part in the Coronation Day programme will be—  
Cheese (spread) roll . . . 1 Portion fruit slab cake . . . 1  
Meat roll . . . 1 Apple . . . 1  
Bar milk chocolate . . . 1 Barley sugar . . . 2 ozs.  
They will get these haversack rations at 11 a.m. while the Queen is in the Abbey.  
They can start eating at 11.20, take 20 minutes over their haversack meal, and there will be another 20 minutes in which the rubbish can be cleared away.

So by noon, half an hour before the nation waits to rejoice in union when the Queen is crowned at 12.30, the troops will be fed and ready for another four or five hours' duty. It is all in the book—the 128-page red-covered book of Army instructions that have been worked out to make Coronation Day as smooth-running as a text-book military operation.

### Two weeks' pay

THE orders of Field-Marshal The Viscount Alanbrooke, Commanding Coronation Troops, cover everything from the time that 93,123 Private Bagg, J., heads for London to the time that he clears up the last of the litter and goes back to barracks. The Coronation Troops will start arriving on the Thursday before Coronation Day and they will all have to be in London by the Sunday, two days before the event. They will all have two weeks' pay before they start.

The time it takes to get 30,000 men settled into London for their first night has been worked out by the War Office on this basis:  
SEVENTY men can put up 210 beds in an hour.  
TEN men can fill 400 pillboxes with straw in an hour. And the straw is already piled up at the supply depot in Kensington Gardens.

### Compensation

THE administrative troops who are being brought in to get things ready for the Coronation Troops will have one compensation for their background job, for not being in the procession. The signal will flash to the control station at the Horse Guards.

The Coronation Troops must bring only their No. 1 dress or best battledress. No civilian clothes for them.  
The men who must sleep in Kensington Gardens instead of in a bed will have compensations too. If the weather is warm they will be allowed to bathe in the Serpentine Lido.  
If it is in the book.  
There will be no boot repairs or haircut facilities in the Coronation camps—but there will be a tailor to mend light tears or put a button on.  
Officers will not be provided with batemen. They will be

charged for all mess meals, too, whether eaten or not. The cost is 9d. a day.

There will be nothing mechanised in the Coronation Day procession—as the Army is faced with the problem of looking after 230 horses.  
They will be stabled mainly in Hyde Park.  
The British horses will need daily 7lb. of oats, 3lb. bran, 10lb. hay, and 5lb. peat for each horse.

But 48 Canadian horses (which the Canadian Mounted Police will ride) seem less partial to bran. They will get only 2lb. a week.  
It's all in the book.

### The signal

AND so to the arrangements for THE DAY when 42 double-decker buses will line up at Clapham Deep Shelter at 5.30 a.m. to bring 3,000 billeted sailors (three miles to town). Army signallers, with 30 radio sets and 19 loudspeakers for public address, will take up positions at 18 points along the Coronation route.

All watches will be synchronised with B.B.C. time.  
At 8 a.m.—with all the troops lined up along the route—the signallers will start testing, and they will keep it up every half hour till 0950.

Then, everybody will watch for the signal from the officer and three men waiting at the Queen Victoria Memorial, opposite Buckingham Palace.

As soon as they spot that the procession is about to start off from the Palace, they will put up a red and white signal disc. The signal will flash to the control station at the Horse Guards.

### March!

FIRST man in the procession, Colonel B. J. O. Burrows, will make a move. The Queen will hold a blue and white flag. All the signal stations will hold blue and white flags. The loudspeakers will broadcast twice: "PROCESSION—MARCH!"  
The procession will be on its way . . . at 112 paces (of 30ins.) a minute.  
It's all in the book.

SIXTEEN years ago today the late King George VI was crowned in Westminster Abbey, and among the vast and noble throng present at the ceremony were His Excellency Sir Alexander Grantham, present Governor of Hongkong, and Lady Grantham. In the article below, Lady Grantham describes with a wealth of colourful detail the historic

scene of pomp and beauty. It is a scene that will be repeated with the same magnificence and solemnity on June 2 of this year when the coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second takes place.

We are indebted to Lady Grantham for this vivid description of the most unique event in the history of British monarchy.

# The CORONATION

By MAURINE GRANTHAM

who witnessed the historic ceremony sixteen years ago

THIS memorable day, the 12th of May, 1937, did not even begin in an ordinary manner. To be breakfasting at the unusual hour of six o'clock, dressed as if for Court,—Alex in white satin knee-breeches, dark blue coat heavy with gold braid, a jewelled sword at his side, and I in white lace with the three Prince of Wales feathers fastened in my hair,—gave an exotic atmosphere.

Having followed instructions as to the route our car was to take to Westminster Abbey from the house in St. John's Wood where we were staying, we arrived at the Abbey at seven o'clock and were ushered to our seats in the Nave. From that hour until the moment when the last of the procession passed out through the Western door, sometime after two o'clock in the afternoon, there was not a moment when we were conscious of anything except the beauty and grandeur of the scene about us.

Even at the early hour of our arrival, there was a stream of peers and peeresses making their way up the Nave to their seats in the Transept. The peeresses looked patrician and charming with their ermine-trimmed, outspread crimson trains, their tiaras and necklaces flashing in the light, while one caught glimpses of lustrous satins and laces of the gowns beneath their robes. Each carried her coronet which gave a delightful effect. The peers in their ample robes of velvet and ermine made the peeresses look all the more dainty and graceful.

Besides these, of which there seemed to be a never-ending stream, there were other distinguished guests, all richly dressed. We thought particularly handsome the sweeping mantle of the Order of Chivalry of the Star of India in a beautiful shade of azure-blue satin embroidered with the great gold star.

The purples and scarlets of other orders, satin and velvet, gold braid and lace, the uniforms of the Army, Navy and Air Force officers and the lacquer-red robes of the judges, glowed like a rich tapestry, highlighted by the Indian potentates, clad in costly Eastern stuffs of woven threads of gold and silver, their fabulous jewels sparkling in profusion.

ALL these figures were moving in a perfect setting; for how gracefully did the ancient church lend itself to this historic ceremony of high pomp and gemmed magnificence. The stone walls of the Abbey were hung in blue-and-gold brocade, broken only by the finely carved stone and stained-glass windows. On the floor a thick blue carpet made a perfect foil for the colours and fabrics of robes and uniforms and gowns.

This pageant of such scintillating brilliance gave one the feeling of being in an Arabian Nights' fantasy, except that everything had a very real and definite meaning. We realised that each person was there because of his position, and each had his or her certain place. Even the clothes worn meant something—the length of a train or the colour of a mantle—and all these were only the guests or spectators who were to make up the congregation. . . . Finally all had arrived, and the tiers of seats on either side of the

aisle were filled with this brilliant company. There was a feeling of expectancy that there was to come something more splendid even than the beautiful scene just finished. A short pause—the Western Door was thrown open, and members of the Royal Family who were to be a part of the congregation were escorted to their places. Next followed the Royal representatives and guests; a resplendent procession, with Prince and Princess Chichibu, Princess Juliana, smiling and happy, accompanied by her husband, the Crown Prince and Princesses of Norway, Denmark and Sweden.

THERE were Mr James W. Gerard and the United States Representative, accompanied by General Pershing; there were Indian Princes, Cabinet and ex-Cabinet Ministers in Privy Counsellors' dress, Mr Anthony Eden, Sir Samuel Hoare, Sir John Simon, and the Ambassadors in residence in London.

The congregation was now complete, and there were to come only those who were to have an actual part in the ceremonies.

Again there was an expectant pause, and there came

cessional way—Their Majesties the King and Queen were coming. . . . The gleaming Cross of the Abbey borne before the Dean was followed by the proudly swaying standards of India, South Africa; New Zealand, Canada and Australia, and finally the Knights of the Garter, who were to hold the Canopy over the King at his anointing. Then came Mr Baldwin, Mr MacDonald and the Dominion Prime Ministers, the Archbishop of York, and last the Archbishop of Canterbury, his white satin robe worked all over in gold and silver.

The shout of the Westminster school boys, "Vivat Regina Elizabetha," was heard, and there appeared the Queen's picture, followed by the Queen herself. She came with quiet dignity, wearing an exquisitely embroidered white satin gown, magnificent diamond necklace and other jewels, her long train swaying in the hands of six duchesses in diamond-studded white satin.

After another expectant hush again there burst forth the triumphant "Vivat Rex Georgius," and the King's Regalia came in view—then the King, looking very young and slim in his crimson robe of state, his great officers in their shining mantles around him. One felt grateful that they were there, for it seemed

allegiance . . . and the final fanfare of trumpets and roll of drums and shouts of "God Save the King."

And now the Queen was to be crowned. We imagined, the radiant picture as she moved through the well-nigh incredibly beautiful ceremony; as she knelt for her anointing under the golden canopy upheld by the Duchesses of Norfolk, Rutland, Buccleuch and Roxburghe; as, still kneeling, she received the Crown of "Glory, Honour and Joy," as with one exquisite movement of white arms rising out of red velvet, the peeresses put on their coronets; the Sceptre and the Ivory Rod with the Dove being placed in her hands; as moving across the Sacrament she made her obeisance to the King—her ladies doing likewise—and the final picture of the King and Queen crowned and seated on their thrones. . . . There now remained only the service of the Communion, during which, the "Gloria in Excelsis" was sung; and the King and Queen knelt to receive the Benediction.

AFTER a short interval, there was another flourish of trumpets, and the procession passed before us once more. This time the little Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, wearing their golden crowns, walked hand-in-hand in front of their grandmother, Queen Mary, looking happy, smiling and bowed to right and left. Queen Elizabeth in all her



An interior view of Westminster Abbey, during the Coronation of King George VI, showing homage being paid to the new monarch.

the glittering procession of the Regalia, which was delivered into the keeping of the Lord Great Chamberlain. During this procession the Litany was sung. Soon followed the Princes and Princesses of the Blood Royal: Princess Mary, with the little Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose on either side looking very tiny and serious, their small trains exact counterparts of that of the Princess Royal. Then came the Duchess of Gloucester and the Duchess of Kent, their coronets and trains borne by ladies and gentlemen of the Court, followed by the King's great-aunts and cousins, all likewise attended.

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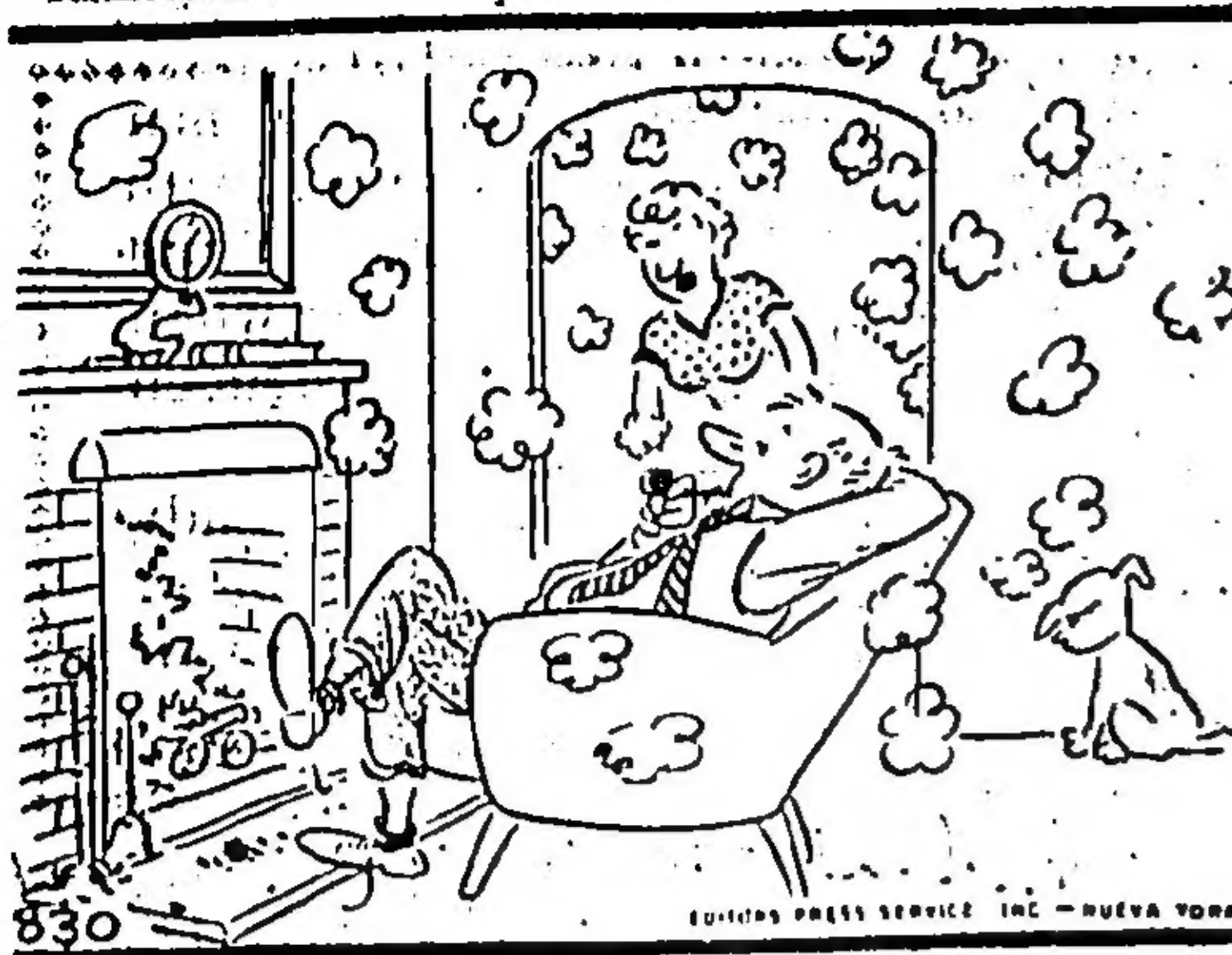
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such a heavy burden that was about to be put upon him. Everything was now ready for the actual ceremony. Where we sat in the Nave, we could not see what was taking place, but we could hear, and the music was so expressive that we could imagine the whole scene. We could feel the solemn hush of the moment before the Archbishop placed the Crown upon the King's head, hear the sound of the silver trumpets and the triumphant shouts of "God Save the King." Then, through the stone walls of the Abbey came the muffled sound of the pealing of bells, and the faint, far-away booming of the great guns of the Tower of London firing their salute.

The King was crowned! Long Live the King!

IT was here that the Archbishop presented the King with the Bible as the "most valuable thing the world affords." The King then received the Homage; the Archbishops and Bishops and the temporal lords, beginning with the Dukes of Gloucester and Kent, followed by the senior of each rank of the peerage swearing fealty and





"Now what are you pondering?"

## BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

I DO not wish to seem envious and ungenerous, but, in my admiration for people who play the piano for 210 hours without stopping, are we not tending to forget that it is the speed at which they play which really matters?

I note that one record-breaker, who is a trainer, nurse, musician, and doctor to look after him, makes no mention of speed. What a chance for some young music-lover to challenge Paul Ombus, who played the whole of Wagner's Ring Cycle 14 times from beginning to end in 17 hours and four minutes (Greenwich Mean Time). A veritable tour de force, was the verdict of the Woburn Conservatoire. That we are a musical nation is proved by the fact that "flooded piano marathons" at Wembley.

Complaints that children will be unable to sleep in a house next to that in which a man plays piano, stop have been met by his promise to play quietly at night. There is no doubt that the piano is a noisy and dumb, for about 3,000 lullabies.

### Speed up the concert!

STATISTICIANS have computed that if the average concert were accelerated, there would be time for 10 or 12 items, especially if the intervals between the items were abolished. A perfect hurricane of

music would keep the players and the audience on their toes, and the chance of hearing ten times as much music as usual in the allotted time would attract a discerning public in hundreds of thousands.

### Dr Rhubarb's corner

M.P. writes: My daughter brought her fiance home to tea recently. He picked up a piece of haddock and pretended to play it like a flute. Rhubarb laughed. When he had gone, my daughter said it was nervousness. Could this be so?

Dr Rhubarb says: Yes. You should have copied him to put him at his ease. Next time he comes, say casually, "Let's all play the haddock."

### A scandalous state of affairs

DEMOCRACY received a heavy blow when a number of girls, defeated in a ballot to elect a Carnival Queen, protested against the system of voting. When Miss Supercorn was elected Carnival Queen of Little Tyeck and a number of many voting papers were spoiled by such irrelevant comments as "Atta, Miss!" "Up, Queen Minnie!" and "Rock 'em, honey!" One saucy young male voter filled in 1,317 voting papers, and the system of voting was found to be a scandalous state of affairs.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA

TUESDAY, MAY 12

BORN today, you have tremendous mental ability and know how to plan things on a large scale. You are mainly the intellectual who must have a problem that utilizes both concentration and mental judgment. Otherwise, you will become bored with life and can never be happy. Don't attempt to be content in a profession that calls only for muscular work.

You have a great deal of nervous energy but it runs by fits and starts. In other words, you will work at high speed for a time and then slack off. Train yourself to finish the job you begin before you start another. Take a task in the middle and go on to something else, you will find it is a waste of time and will lead to ultimate disappointment, if not disaster.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

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or relative by paying a visit. Be joyful and gay even in the face of upset.

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## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Player Exhibits Skill At Tourney

BY OSWALD JACOBY

THE severest test of a player's skill usually comes when he is playing a hand at a trump contract and must decide exactly how many rounds of trumps to draw and exactly what order is required for the playing of his tricks. Today's hand, taken from last year's European Championship, illustrates this kind of difficulty.

In both rooms of the match between Austria and England, the final contract was six spades, and West's opening lead was the ten of clubs. Both declarers won the first trick with the king of clubs and immediately

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♥ A 10 7 2		
♦ K 4		
♣ J		
WEST		
♠ 8 7 2		
♥ J 4		
♦ A 10 6 3		
♣ A 10 8 4		
EAST		
♠ J 5		
♥ Q 8 5 3		
♦ J 10 7 5		
♣ Q		
SOUTH (D)		
♠ A Q 10 4		
♥ A		
♦ 2		
♣ A K 7 5 3 2		
North-South vul.		
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4 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
5 ♠	Pass	5 ♠
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washed the king of hearts. From this point on, however, the play in the two rooms varied.

The Austrian declarer continued by taking the ace and king of trumps, after which he discarded his losing diamond on dummy's ace of hearts. Now he entered his hand with a third trump in order to ruff a low club in dummy.

Since the club suit broke badly, declarer's hand was not established by this time. He lost control of the hand and was set two tricks.

In the other room, the English declarer planned the hand better. After taking the second trick with the king of hearts, he drew only one round of trumps with dummy's king in order to cash the ace of hearts and discard his losing diamond.

He then returned to his hand with the ace of trumps and ruffed a low club in dummy. Since only two rounds of trumps had been drawn, dummy still had a trump left.

The English declarer led this last trump to his own queen, cashed the ace of clubs, and gave up one club trick to West. He could then claim the rest of the tricks with his last trump and the rest of the clubs.

## CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

South West North East

1. Diamond Pass 1. Heart Pass

2. Diamond Pass 2. Heart Pass

3. Diamond Pass 3. Heart Pass

4. Diamond Pass 4. Heart Pass

5. Diamond Pass 5. Heart Pass

6. Diamond Pass 6. Heart Pass

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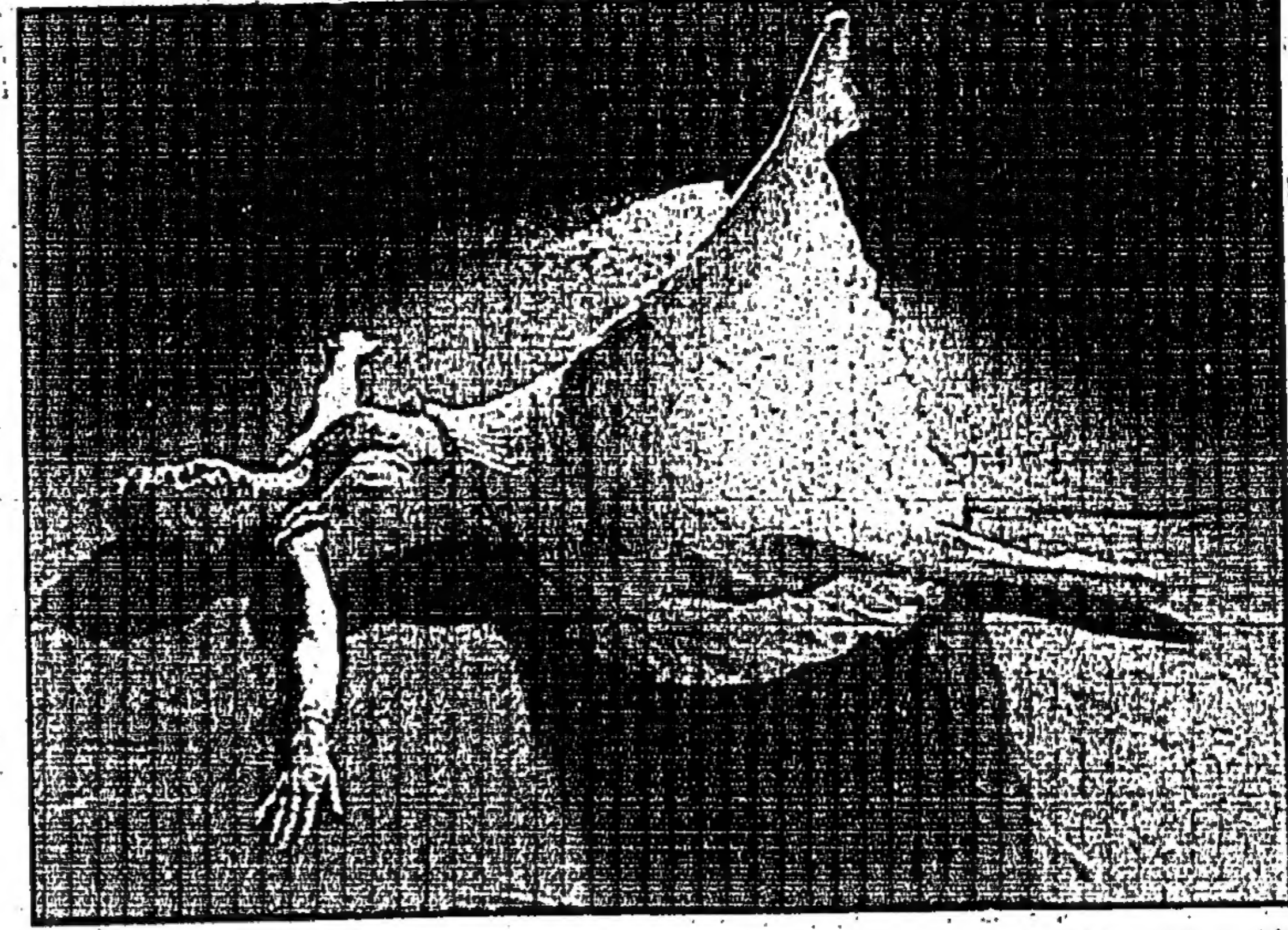
19. Diamond Pass 19. Heart Pass

20. Diamond Pass 20. Heart Pass

21. Diamond Pass 21. Heart Pass

22. Diamond Pass 22. Heart Pass

# WOMANSENSE



"Oh what a beautiful morning!" carols Yvonne, as she stretches drowsy limbs and keeps thigh muscle in trim.

## MAY BASKET PIE IS A TEMPTER

"REGARD this menu!" exclaimed the Chef. "This Diet Corner is most helpful. Even here in Washington's luxurious Mayflower Hotel dining room you can count the calories with the help of this reducing menu. It consists of boiled smoked tongue and fresh spinach, an unsweetened baked apple and a glass of buttermilk—375 calories."

The Chef enjoyed his reducing lunch with enthusiasm, until time for dessert. I had sped a pie on the menu that was new to me—May Basket Pie—which I promptly ordered. It looked and tasted delicious.

Just a Small Taste

The Chef bravely went ahead with his unsweetened baked apple. Finally he plaintively remarked, "Shall I order a small taste of the pie, just to approve for our readers?"

What would you do, if you were tested for a food column? Well, the Chef did it, too. "About 250 more calories," I have added," he remarked,

putting his waistline. "But it is my considered opinion that the pie was worth the sacrifice!"

Tomorrow's Dinner

Grapefruit Juice  
Corned Beef Ring  
Mixed Vegetables  
Creamed Noodles  
Tossed Salad Greens  
May Basket Pie  
Coffee Tea Milk

All Measurements Are Level Recipes Serve Four

Corned Beef Ring

Through the food chopper put 1 small peeled onion and enough oddsends of corned beef (or tinned corned beef) to make 3 c. Melt 3 tbs. margarine or fat; in it fry 1 c. soft enriched bread crumbs. Add the corned beef, 2 beaten eggs, ¼ tomato ketchup, 2 tbs. prepared horseradish, 1 tbs. table mustard and 1 c. tomato juice. Pack into a 9-in. oiled ring or border mould and bake 45 min. in a moderate oven, 350-375° F. Unmould on a large platter. Fill the centre with creamed

high-protein noodles and border with sautéed leftover mixed vegetables, or use tinned or frozen mixed vegetables.

Line a 9-in. pie plate with American pie pastry. Dust with 1 tsp. fine dry crumbs and press in. Spoon in May Basket Filling; top with a lattice-work of pastry, and brush them and the crust at the edge with beaten egg yolk, then dust with sugar. Bake 35 min. at 400° F.

May Basket Filling: Heat 1½ c. mixed cherry and pineapple juice. Add 2½ tbs. cornstarch mixed with 2 tbs. orange juice, ¼ c. sugar, ¼ tsp. salt and 1 tbs. butter or margarine. Stir and cook until boiling. Then add 1½ c. each tinned pineapple chunks and stoned tinned red cherries. Cool and use as directed.

Trick Of The Chef

To (10-oz.) tin of grapefruit juice add 4 heaping teaspoons orange concentrate and mix well.

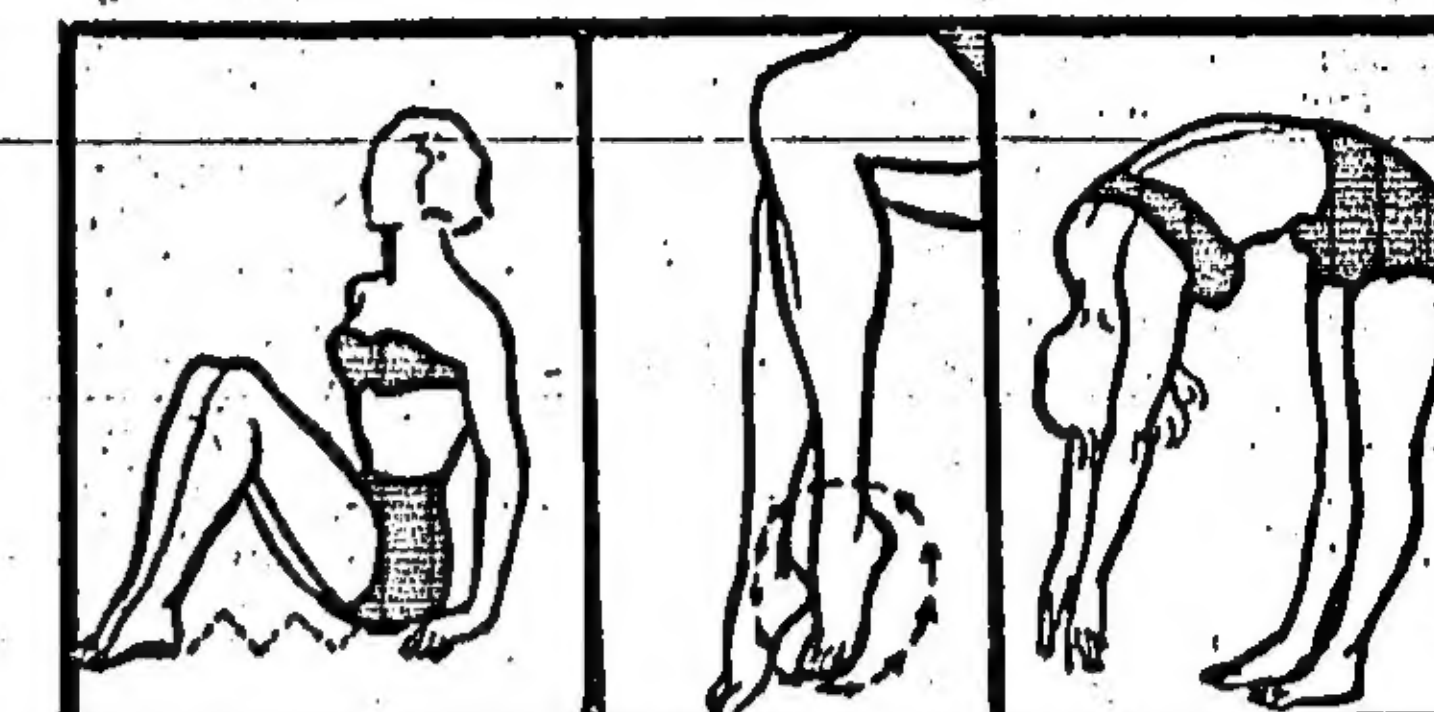
## WAKE UP—AND LIVE!

WHAT keeps the stars young... Anna Neagle dancing romantic roles at 44; Cicely Courtneidge doing handstands at 60?

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So come along... with our Exercise Girl, Yvonne March—who is appearing in the new film "Street Corner"—to show you how

Relax flat on your back with arms outstretched. Now left leg over right to a 2 o'clock angle. Raise it in a semi-circle till it's at 10 o'clock. Legs together again; repeat several times before changing sides. Be careful to keep shoulders square on the ground.



ON LEFT: The Bo-bo bounce... for taking inches off your profile view! Sit erect with knees bent; hands to sides. Bounce really hard up and down, taking weight on to hands and moving forward as you do it.

ON RIGHT: Legs straight (no bent knees), head right down, arms relaxed. Then touch the floor three times between feet, three times with hands outside left ankle, three outside right ankle, then rest, upright. Repeat ten times.

CENTRE: Ankle-slimmer Number One... try it anywhere—in the bus, just firm circles with the foot, working the ankle joint.

(More Tomorrow)

Household Hints

Reused wool, used in garments, comes from rags and miscellaneous discarded clothing. These fabrics are thoroughly cleaned and sterilised, however, before they are shredded into fibres and blended with new wool.

Before storing indelible plastic toys, wash well in soda and water, dry thoroughly and sprinkle with talcum powder to prevent sticking or tearing. Store in a cool, dark and dry place.

New Cape Interest

The ensemble is having itself a time and is slated for a busy season, what with the dress and jacket appearing in every fabric, for every occasion, at every price level. This one is something radically new in silhouette and treatment. The dress itself is a simple half-sleeved design of navy gabardine, with plain round neck and a brace of flapped pockets on the skirt serving as the sole relief. All the interest is centred in the cape which is as short as a brief bolero in front, where it has a three button closing and cascades down to full length in back, showing off the matching taffeta with which it is lined throughout.

By VERA WINSTON

Go Easy On That Sun Tan This Summer

Chapel Hill, N. C.

Sunlight may give you a tan that makes you appear to be healthy, but it increases your chances of getting skin cancer, according to Dr. Herbert Z. Lind, visiting professor of pathology at the University of North Carolina.

Dr. Lind explained to a scientific meeting here that skin cancer is more common in the South than in the North and more common in the warmer parts of the world than in the colder parts.

In discussing the changes that take place in the skin of people exposed to sunlight over long periods, Dr. Lind said skin blisters, fine wrinkling and "aged" look are preliminary changes that could develop into skin cancer.—United Press.











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G. "PYRRHUS"	Liverpool	14th May	
G. "TELEMACHUS"	do	22nd May	
G. "CALCHAS"	do	30th May	
G. "AUTOMEDON"	do	7th June	
G. "PELEUS"	7th May	13th May	
G. "BELLEROPHON"	18th May	22nd June	
G. "MENTOR"	24th May	28th June	
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"BENATTOW"	U.K. 6th July
"BENCRUACHAN"	Japan 17th July
"BENLEDI"	U.K. 20th July

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"BENROCH"	Direct to Singapore, thence Havre, London, Rotterdam and Hull. 16th June
"BENMOH"	Liverpool, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Hamburg. 19th June
"BENRINNES"	Genoa, Avonmouth, Liverpool and Glasgow. 21st June
"BENATTOW"	Liverpool, Rotterdam and Hamburg. 10th July
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, May 12, 1953.

## NOTICE

### THE SHEK O DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 27th May, 1953, at 4 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts for the Year ended 31st March, 1953, and electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board, MARTIN & CO., Secretaries. Hongkong, 11th May, 1953.

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### THE SHEK O COUNTRY CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of The Shek O Country Club will be held at the Club House, Shek O, on Wednesday, the 27th May, 1953 at 7 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee for the Year ended 31st March, 1953, and to elect the Committee for the ensuing year.

Nominations for the new Committee must be in the hands of the Secretaries not later than Wednesday, the 20th May.

Week-day members are cordially invited to attend the Meeting.

Members desirous of staying on for dinner are kindly requested to advise the Club Steward not later than the day before the Meeting.

By Order of the General Committee, MARTIN & CO., Secretaries. Hongkong, 11th May, 1953.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

### MAERSK LINE

m/v "LAURA MAERSK"

having arrived from New York and Ports of call. Consignments of cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk and expense into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final point of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, where they will be examined on 18th May, 1953, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 18th May, 1953, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignments must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No Insurance will be effected.

### JENSEN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1953.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

### CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Consignees per Company's m.v. "LA MARSEILLAISE"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godowns where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage and where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 16th May, 1953.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignments must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 18th May, 1953, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 22nd May, 1953, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

### CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Hongkong, 11th May, 1953.

## Contracts Signed

Tokyo, May 10.

Special procurement contracts concluded with the United States Forces during the week ended May 9 amounted to US\$5,337,000, according to the Economic Deliberation Board.

The total consisted of US\$5,012,000 in goods and the remainder in services. Contracts on a dollar basis amounted to US\$5,334,000.

The major contracted goods were electric batteries, duck cloth shoes for winter wear, coats for winter wear, bridge construction steel, plywood, linoleum and winter caps.—France-Press.

## Order Given To Portugal

Wellington, May 11.

An agreement providing for the construction by Portugal of minesweepers and escort vessels destined for use by North Atlantic Treaty Organisation countries has been announced by the United States Navy.

The Navy said the United States' share of costs would be approximately \$7,500,000, paid under the Mutual Defence Assistance Programme. This represented slightly more than half of the total cost. The remainder would be paid by Portugal.—Reuters.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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### DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1953.

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"CARTHAGE"	3rd July	4th August
"CORFU"	31st July	1st Sept.

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Outwards from UK	Due	For
"SUNDA"	29th May	Japan
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"OBRA"	due 18th May	from P. Gulf, Karachi, Bombay, Colombo & S. Port for Japan
"OKHLA"	due 17th May	from Japan for Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi, Kuwait, Aden, Port Said, Suez, Genoa, Marseilles, Havre, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & other P. & O. Ports via Bombay

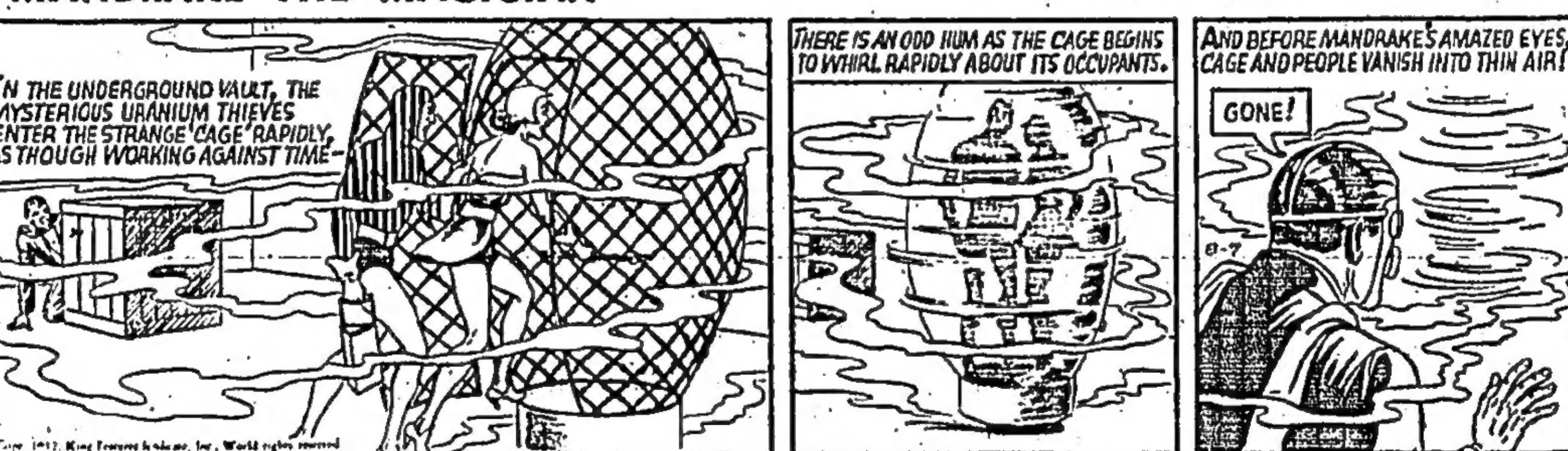
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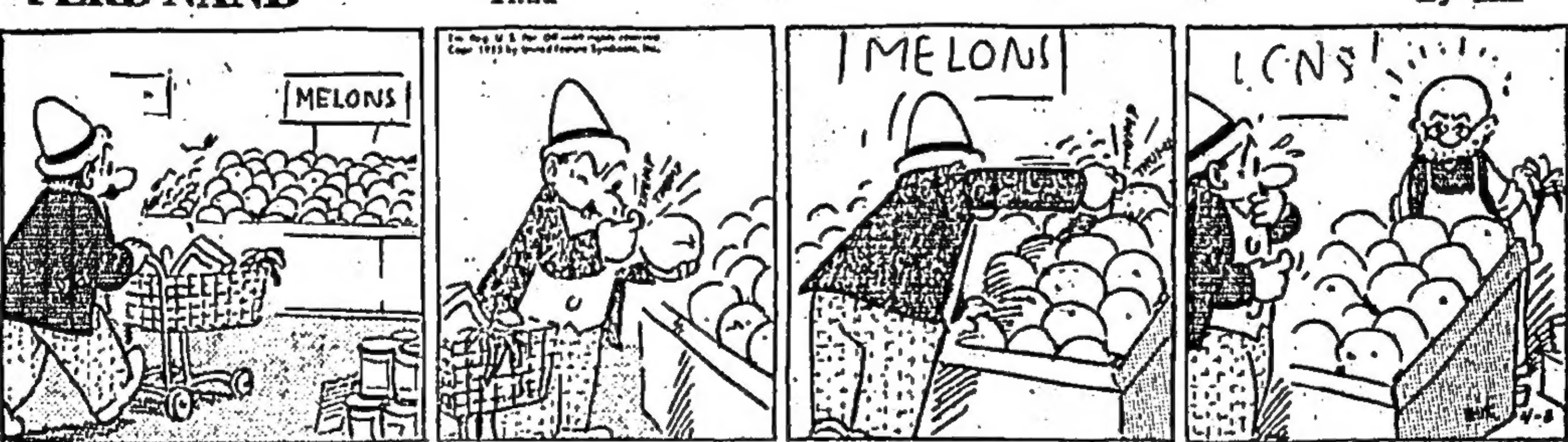
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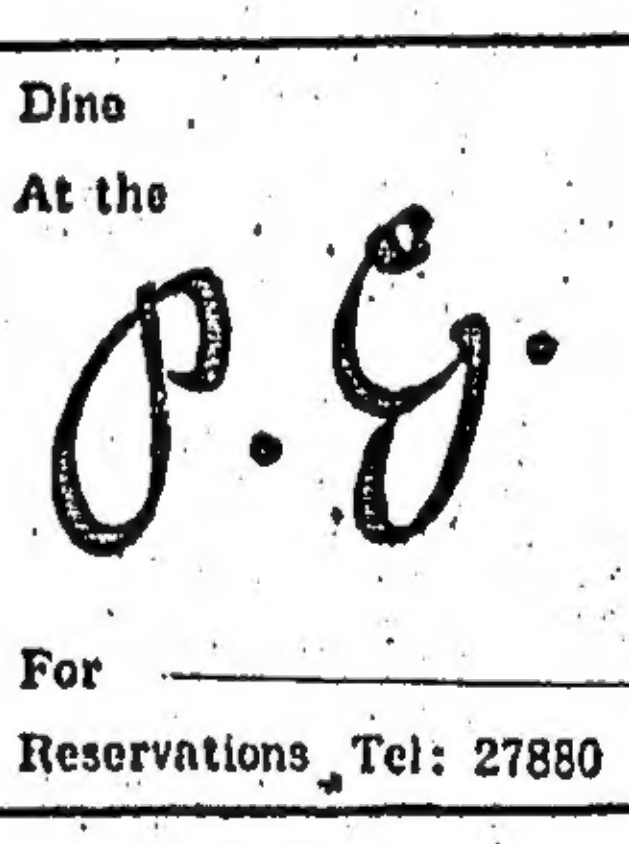
## JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



## Results

Were Not Spectacular



Wellington, May 11.  
The New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Sidney Holland, has stated that the recent Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference in London agreed to ask the United States "officially" to guarantee sterling, so that partial convertibility could follow.

Reporting to the House of Representatives on the conference, Mr. Holland said he could not claim the results had been spectacular.

He was still awaiting the outcome of the talks, which included the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, had had with the new United States Administration.

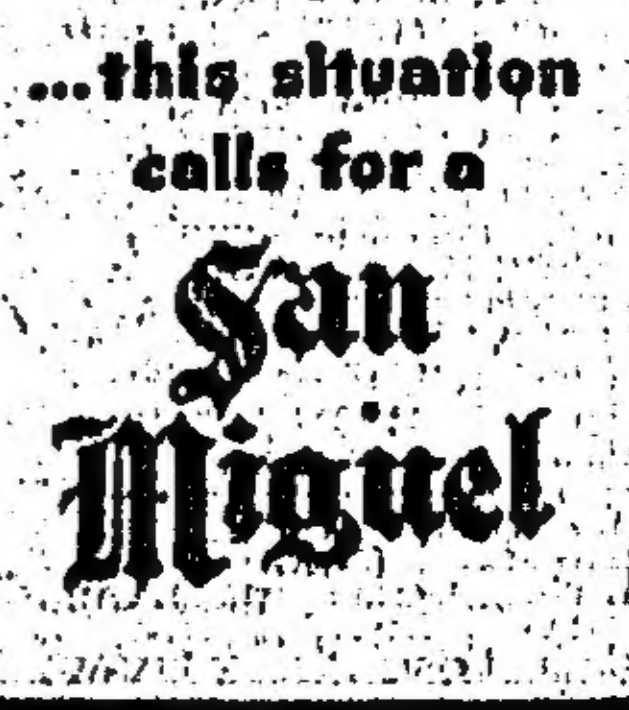
Mr. Holland hoped to be fully advised on these talks when he visited London for the Coronation in June.

The success of the plan aimed at partial convertibility depended on the co-operation of the United States and Europe, he said.

If the plan did succeed, there would be a widespread freeing of trade and many of the present restrictions would be unnecessary.—Reuters.

## AKIHITO'S VISIT TO NORWAY

Oslo, May 11.  
Japan is to visit Norway and will arrive in Oslo on August 10.  
Scandinavian airlines said today that according to present plans the Prince is to stay about a week in Oslo and then visit the west coast.—Reuters.





# Reds Retreat From Policy On Agriculture

(By Sydney C. Campbell, Reuter's Financial Editor)

What the Economic Commission for Europe describes as the decision of the East European Governments to "speed up industrialisation to the neglect of agriculture" was a deliberate decision.

If a retreat has been needed, it is not because the plans have gone wrong but because in those half-baked countries they set up intolerable strain.

According to the ECE (which is sometimes accused of being too prone to take Soviet statistics at their face value) the targets for industry have generally been hit, and the desired pattern of allocation of resources has been achieved.

Though agriculture is stagnant at or below its pre-war levels, it does not, except in Bulgaria, seem to be lagging very far behind the plans.

The Governments could at any time have relieved the strain by diverting investment to the two neglected sectors—capitalisation of agriculture, and urban housing for the migrants from the countryside into the towns.

Writing just before Stalin's death, the ECE thought that "it should be perfectly possible for Governments, if they so wish, to increase investment in housing and in agriculture without reducing investment elsewhere. There is no reason to think that this conclusion may now require revision."

The "big weakness" of Eastern Europe, as seen by the ECE, is thus "the inability of its governments to control the 'balance of payments' between industry and agriculture." To get round this situation the Governments have used three main weapons against the peasants.

## American Petroleum Industry's Request

Washington, May 11. Spokesmen for the independent oil producers today asked Congress to slow down petroleum imports, contending that flood of foreign oil is damaging the domestic industry and weakening national security.

Mr. Russell B. Brown, General Counsel of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, told the House Ways and Means Committee that "it would be unsound and dangerous to continue a policy of increasing reliance upon foreign sources of petroleum supply. Oil from Canada, from Central and South America and to a far lesser extent from the Middle East may be important to the security of the United States and the rest of the Western Hemisphere. Oil from within our own borders, however, is our first line of defence. It must be adequate at all times."

Mr. Brown and other spokesmen for relatively small oil producers urged the Committee to limit oil imports to 10 per cent of the domestic supply.

This is one of the provisions in a controversial bill by Representative Richard M. Simpson, Republican, Pennsylvania, to continue the reciprocal trade agreements programme another year but with drastic changes. The present trade law expires on June 12.

Apart from security considerations, Mr. Brown said, the IPAA questioned "the wisdom of a policy under which a larger and larger part of the oil supply for the American public would be under the control of a few world-wide oil companies."

He added, "No one should be misled into believing that reliance on a few companies rather than a competitive domestic industry will mean lower prices to the consumer," he said.

Mr. Charlton H. Lyons, President of the Independent Petroleum Association, said that his group had long recognised a place for oil imports and the 10 per cent limitation was a "fair and flexible relationship between imports and domestic production."

## LONDON TIN MARKET

London, May 11. The tin market was quiet and steady at the lower levels. Turnover was 30 tons. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:

Spot tin, buyers ..... 230-231  
Three-month tin, buyers ..... 230-231  
Business done at ..... 230-231  
Settlement ..... 230-231  
—United Press.

## JAPANESE BONDS

London, May 11. Japanese bonds (4s. of 1950) 83  
" (4s. of 1951) 70 1/2  
" (4s. of 1952) 125 1/2  
" (4s. of 1953) 100 1/2  
" (5 1/2s. of 1950) 142 1/2  
Consols ..... 80-81 1/2  
—United Press.

## Japan Textile Exports Show Increase

Tokyo, May 11. Exports of textiles in April totalled US\$32,397,000, an increase of more than US\$2,000,000 from March, according to the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

The figure for April is the highest this year but below the monthly average. Cotton textiles were virtually unchanged but others showed an increase.

The figure for raw silk was the highest this year as well as chemical fibres and textiles, the latter due to increased demand from Indonesia.

Of the total, cotton textiles accounted for roughly US\$14,500,000, raw silk US\$4,000,000, chemical textiles US\$10,000,000 and silk fabrics US\$3,897,000.—France-Press.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$400,837.75. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARPS BUYERS SELLERS SALES  
HANKS  
K. Bank ..... 1400 1465  
East Asia ..... 147  
INSURANCES  
Union X ..... 750 770  
Underwriters ..... 450

SHIPPING  
Waterboat ..... 1410 1414

DOCKS, P.T.C.  
K. Bank ..... 75  
Provident ..... 1140 500 @ 1130  
Shai Dock ..... 1200 @ 210  
Wheelock ..... 740 750 200 @ 71 1/2

LAND, E.T.C.  
H.K. Land ..... 7 1/2 133 7000 @ 730  
H.K. Land (O) ..... 27 50 220 @ 71 1/2  
Shai Land ..... 133 140  
Humphreys ..... 2410

UTILITIES  
Peak Train ..... 2210 2230 300 @ 2220  
(O) ..... 38  
Peak Train ..... 109 112 300 @ 110  
Star Ferry ..... 109 112 300 @ 110  
C. Light (O) ..... 104 1014 103 @ 104  
C. Light (N) ..... 550 570 421 @ 555  
Electric ..... 2210 2230 1233 @ 2220  
M. Electric ..... 1500 @ 10

INDUSTRIALS  
Cement ..... 1520 1530  
Rope ..... 1520 1530  
Dairy ..... 1800 19 500 @ 1800  
Wahwa ..... 2115  
L. Crawford ..... 2710 2715 50 @ 2710  
Kwong Sang ..... 50 @ 145

COTTONS  
Ewo ..... 230 233  
Textile Corp ..... 1010 515 1500 @ 515  
10,000 @ 510

MISCELLANEOUS  
Emilia ..... 1020  
Yankee (O) ..... 1020  
Yankee (N) ..... 5 1/2

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## Prospects Of Shipping Shares In London

(By Norman Crump, Sunday Times City Editor)

During the past fortnight four important shipping reports have been published.

The first of these, Union Castle, caused some disappointment in the market. It had been hoped that there would be a dividend of 8 per cent plus a 2 per cent centenary bonus, but in the event only 7 1/2 per cent was paid albeit on an increased capital.

The relatively moderate dividend was ascribed to an increase in operating costs.

Meanwhile, the outlook for shipping shares has been improved by the Budget. Some shareholders had hoped for initial allowances of 40 per cent, but the 20 per cent granted in the Budget will be very helpful by way of immediate relief.

Shipping companies have been criticised for their conservative dividend policy, and for the amount that they plough back. These critics do not realise how much is needed for the replacement of obsolete ships.

The average life of a "dry goods" ship is 20 to 25 years, while, owing to the corrosive effect of oil, a tanker's life is no more than 15 years. But since pre-war days the cost of new tonnage has trebled, and provision for replacement must be scaled up accordingly.

To put the matter in a nutshell, last week's Cunard report showed liquid resources of about £30 million. This is just enough to replace the two "Queens" at today's costs.

PRICES AND YIELDS  
Therefore no shipping company can be blamed by its shareholders for adopting a conservative dividend policy. Actively the past fortnight's results are not too bad reading. Taking the latest dividends and prices, the following yields emerge:

Company Price Dividend Yield %  
Cunard ..... 40/6 15 3.6  
Union Castle ..... 27/6 14 5.1  
Royal Mail ..... 27/2 14 5.1  
Elder Dempsey ..... 47/6 13 2.7  
Plus 5 per cent tax-free capital gain

These are not bad yields, but I should say at once that I regard shipping shares as a long-term investment, with no immediate possibilities. In the short-run shipowners are taking a strictly conservative view.

The years 1950 and 1951 were helped by the world-wide "Korean" boom, but 1952 was a very different story. Trade to Australia and New Zealand was hit by the import restrictions imposed by those Dominions, but one should emphasise that the subsequent relaxations have altered the picture.

Trade with Argentina has been adversely coloured by politics, and trade with the Pacific Coast of South America has been affected by restrictions and counter-restrictions on imports from both sides. Add to that the deplorable tendency of too many countries to discriminate in favour of their own flag, and also add the virtual disappearance of our outward cargo trade, and the difficulties of our shipping become apparent.

WELL IN HAND  
Nevertheless it is possible to take too gloomy a view. I have alluded to cash reserves and the high cost of replacement.

As a broad generalisation, for every £14 committed to paying

## RUBBER STUDY GROUP

Meeting Begins In Copenhagen

Copenhagen, May 11.

The tenth meeting of the International Rubber Study Group opened here today and it was understood that the discussions would concentrate on a draft international rubber agreement worked out by the Group's Working Party.

Complete secrecy as to the details of the heavy agenda was maintained by conference officials.

Mr. Edouard Strandberg, one of the directors of the Ditrabho Asiatic Company and the leading Danish delegate, indicated that the agenda was so heavy that the meeting, scheduled to conclude on May 12, might continue to May 13.

It was announced that there would be no releases to the Press during the meeting.

A communique will be issued at the conclusion of the conference.

Informal sources said that the draft international rubber agreement provides for an international rubber Council whose tasks would be:

1.—To counter the economic difficulties caused by the fact that adjustments between production and consumption of natural rubber cannot depend upon the free play of market forces alone as free play adjustments would not be fast enough.

2.—To alleviate notable fluctuations in the price of natural rubber with the purpose of achieving a just degree of stability.

3.—To stimulate the production of rubber with advantage to producers as well as consumers.

TO ACCOMPLISH objectives, the sources said, the draft agreement calls for the accumulation, if necessary, of a buffer stock of natural rubber administered by the proposed International Rubber Council.

The Council would buy rubber when the price fell to a certain agreed level and sell rubber when it rose to another level.

It was understood that these price levels would be fixed in accordance with the price relations between general purpose synthetic rubber and natural rubber on the United States market.

Conference sources indicated that funds for the proposed Rubber Council would be contributed by the governments of importing and exporting countries in accordance with their imports or exports during the 1949-53 period.

Each signatory government under this plan would contribute a certain sum for each ton of natural rubber imported or exported during this period, it was said.—United Press.

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